

Prayer of Blessing 1

Creator Spirit,
mighty wind of God,
you brood over our lives,
and speak new life into our chaos.
You set your Sabbath apart for your service.

Your Sabbath
celebrates the flowering of creation,
the wedding of our hopes
to your divine yearning.
In the light of your holy Sabbath,
each day is holy;
in the overflowing of Sabbath joy,
each moment is sacred.

As we read in the story of creation:
“Now the whole universe
---sky, earth, and all their array
---was completed.
With the seventh day,
God enjoyed rest from the labor of creation.
Then God blessed the seventh day,
and called it holy.”

Overshadow us now
with your beauty and your joy,
that our world may know
a Sabbath of wholeness and peace,
today and forever.